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## THE SPANISH FLEET

Still at Cape Verde Islands, Although Madrid Report Says Fleet Has Sailed.

## PORTUGAL'S NEUTRALITY

Naval Engagements Off Philippine Islands Momentarily Expected—Spain Endeavoring to Borrow Money—Spanish Watching the Mediterranean.

London, April 27.—It is reported here from Madrid that the destination of the Spanish fleet, which is said to have sailed several days ago, is unknown to anyone but the minister of marine and Admiral Bernillo, but it is added that news is expected before long at the Spanish capital of the bombardment of American coast towns.

Spanish Ships Cruising in Mediterranean. A special dispatch from Tangier, Morocco, today, says that the Spanish warship Pelayo is cruising in the Mediterranean, and two torpedo boats in the straits of Gibraltar.

Capture of An American Vessel Announced. Madrid, April 27.—A dispatch from Manila, says that the governor of Iloilo, Philippine Islands, announces that the Spanish gunboat, El Cano, has arrived there, having captured the American bark Saranac, from N. S. W., loaded with coal. The Spanish Philippine islands' fleet has sailed to meet the United States Asiatic squadron.

## Engagement Hourly Expected.

Madrid, 6 p. m.—The governor of Manila telegraphs that an engagement between the Spanish and American squadrons is hourly expected.

## Spanish Vessels Up to Michif.

Southampton, April 27.—Two Spanish torpedo boats and a large armored ship have been sighted cruising at the entrance of the channel.

The Spanish ships sighted at the entrance to the channel have been made out to be an auxiliary cruiser and two torpedo boats.

## Spanish Fleet Waiting for Orders.

St. Vincent, Cape Verde Islands, April 27.—4:08 p. m.—The Spanish fleet is still here awaiting orders.

## Barcelona, April 27.—Shipping people here want Spain to demand an indemnity through the French embassy for the Americans' acts of piracy.

## Portugal's Neutrality.

Lisbon, Portugal, April 27.—The state council meets tomorrow to issue a decree of neutrality, after which the Spanish squadron must leave Cape Verde islands.

## Offers Philippine Islands as Security.

New York, April 27.—London advises this afternoon that Spain is negotiating a loan and offers the Philippine islands as security.

## BIG BOSTON FAILURE.

## Howard Clock & Watch Company Made An Assignment Today.

Boston, April 27.—The E. H. Howard Clock & Watch company, Samuel Little, proprietor, has made an assignment for the benefit of creditors to F. E. Snow. The estimated liabilities of the clock company is \$500,000, assets \$400,000.

## DESTROYING TOWNS

Great Fires Seen on the Island of Cuba from the United States Fleet.

## BLANCO MASSING TROOPS

Reported That American Torpedo Boat Has Been Injured in Battle—Battleship Oregon All Right—Naval Cadet Played Smart.

Key West, Fla., April 27.—The cruiser Detroit, Commander J. H. Dayton, brought in this morning the small Spanish merchantman Ambrosio Bolivar, which had tried to run the blockade and had been captured by the Terror.

## Sixty Thousand Dollars on Board.

The captured Spanish steamer Ambrosio Bolivar, had \$60,000 in silver on board.

## Spanish Burning Towns.

Advices from Captain Sampson this morning say that great fires are burning along the coast about a league inland. The belief is that the Spaniards are getting in their revenge by burning all the cities and towns. A big fire seen, five miles from Havana, is thought to be the work of the insurgents.

## Sailors Spoiling for a Fight.

The British steamer Kanapaha arrived at noon today with a number of refugees who she took out of Havana under a white flag. Her officers report a panic in Havana when she sailed last night. It is stated today that the monitor Terror yesterday turned back the Norwegian steamship Uto, which tried to run the blockade at Cabanas, with coal for the Spanish. Reports from the fleet state that the sailors are spoiling for a fight and are anxious to open fire on the land batteries. The Cincinnati took several shots at a tug planting mines in Matanzas harbor last night and made her desist.

## Spanish Troops Concentrating.

Havana, via, Cienfuegos, April 27.—The Spanish troops throughout the island have been concentrated at different points along the coast so as to be ready to meet any attempt of troops from the United States. Thousands of men are reported as enlisting in the volunteer battalions.

## Montserrat Not Captured as Reported.

Advices received here say that the Montserrat has arrived at Cienfuegos with money and ammunition.

## Naval Battle Reported.

The Spanish gunboat Ligera, it is announced here, encountered near Cienfuegos, an American torpedo boat destroyer, which opened fire. The gunboat answered with eleven shots. It is claimed the American destroyer was damaged and retreated. The steamer Montserrat, from Cadiz for Havana has arrived safely, it is announced, at Cienfuegos. She had on board \$2,000,000 in silver and a quantity of ammunition.

## Battleship Oregon All Right.

Buenos Ayres, April 27.—A steamer just arrived from Montevideo reports that it left the battleship Oregon and gunboat Marietta coaling at Punta Arenas in the Straits of Magellan. It is believed that the Spanish torpedo boat Temerario in Buenos Ayres harbor is about to sail.

## Navy Department Denies Report.

Washington, April 27.—The report that a big Spanish mail steamer and transport has safely entered Cienfuegos harbor, is denied at the navy department.

## Smart Naval Cadet.

Washington, April 27.—The torpedo boat Cushing is on the way north from the blockade squadron of Admiral Sampson, of Havana, in order that repairs may be made on her starboard engine, the injury of which is the result of an attempt to show her fine qualities by Naval Cadet Boyd who was temporarily in charge. It is said the vessel had no encounter of any sort with the Spanish.

## ELLEN PERSONS KILLED.

Powder Works at Santa Cruz, Calif., Destroyed by Spontaneous Combustion of Nitro-Glycerine.

Santa Cruz, Calif., April 27.—Eleven people were killed last night in an explosion at the Santa Cruz powder works. All that remains of the gun cotton plant is some twisted iron and a large hole in the ground, made by nitro glycerine. The bodies of those killed were frightfully mangled. The explosion was the result of spontaneous combustion of nitro glycerine.

## ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION.

Galena Observed the Birth of General Grant Today—Confederate Veteran Orator of the Day.

Galena, Ills., April 27.—Galena, the home of General U. S. Grant, today celebrated the 77th anniversary of the great leader's birth. Mrs. Nellie Grant Sartoris and daughter, Vivian, represented the Grant family. Judge Emory Spear, confederate veteran, of Macon, Ga., was the orator of the day.

## STORM ON ATLANTIC COAST.

Wind Blowing 60 Miles An Hour—Shipping in Danger—War Vessels Left Before Storm Vexed.

Norfolk, Va., April 27.—A terrific storm is raging on the Virginia and North Carolina coasts. The wind is blowing 60 miles an hour and many vessels are in danger of being wrecked. The cruiser Montgomery and transport Panther, which left here yesterday for Key West, rounded Cape Hatteras before they encountered the storm.

## TO ADVANCE ON HAVANA.

Insurgents Will Be Equipped by United States for Operations Against Cuban Capital—Colonel Wood on Way to New Mexico.

Washington, April 27.—General Miles and the Cuban representatives at an important conference today, went over the plans of operations. The Cubans arranged for Lieutenant Rowan to have safe conduct to the insurgent's camp. It is understood that the insurgents will be fully equipped by the United States and will move on Havana, to co-operate with our fleet.

## Insurgents Will Advance on Havana.

Two Cuban representatives had a conference with General Miles this morning. He states that the Cubans are to be fully equipped by the United States and are to march on Havana from the rear at once and co-operate with the United States fleet.

## Censorship Over Spanish Mail.

The government today established a censorship over all Spanish mail. The postal authorities have taken the matter in charge.

## Regular Army Will Be Recruited.

Orders were issued today to recruit the regular army to the full war strength of 61,000 men.

## Colonel Woods on Way to New Mexico.

Colonel Woods left for New Mexico and Arizona this morning to organize a regiment of cowboy cavalry.

## Illinois Volunteers Marching.

Chicago, April 27.—To the strains of martial music and cheered by 100,000 throats, the local volunteers marched for camp at Springfield this morning.

## Governor Plunge to the Front.

Island Lake, Mich., April 27.—Governor Pingree will concentrate the Michigan troops in camp here, and will probably lead them to the front himself.

## Texas Rangers Will Guard Frontier.

Austin, Tex., April 27.—The rangers will be organized to guard the frontier. The Spanish Mexicans are said to be gathering in large bands to prosecute a guerrilla warfare against southern Texas.

## Explosives Stolen at New Orleans.

New Orleans, April 27.—The government dynamite magazines here were broken into last night, and a large quantity of explosives carried away.

## Telegraph Office at Chickamauga.

Omaha, April 27.—A Western Union telegraph office has been opened at Chickamauga Park.

## CREWS REFUSED TO SAIL.

Fearing Capture by Spanish, Four Vessels Will Ask for Convey Out of Gulf.

Tampa, Fla., April 27.—The crews of four steamships, loaded with phosphate for Europe, this morning refused to sail, saying they feared capture by the Spanish. The captains have decided to wait until a big fleet was ready and then ask the government for a convey of American warships out of the gulf.

## Gladstone's Death.

London, April 27.—Mr. Gladstone died this afternoon. Later the report of Mr. Gladstone's death was denied.

## MARKET REPORT.

New York, April 27.—Money on call nominally 2 @ 3 per cent. Prime mercantile paper, 6 @ 7. Silver, 56 1/2; lead, 33.50; copper, 11 1/2.

Chicago. — Cattle, receipts, 13,000; steady; beefs, \$4.00 @ \$5.35; cows and heifers, \$2.25 @ \$4.65; stockers and feeders, \$3.75 @ \$4.50. Sheep, receipts, 16,000; strong; natives, \$3.75 @ \$4.50; westerns, \$3.80 @ \$4.70; lambs, \$4.00 @ \$5.50. Chicago.—Wheat, May, \$1.21 1/2; July, 94 1/2 @ 1/2. Corn, April, 33 1/2; July, 34 1/2. Oats, April, 38 1/2; July, 25 1/2.

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## CONGRESSIONAL NEWS.

Silver Senators Will Oppose Bond Feature of War Revenue Bill—Debate in House—More Talk of Recognition of Cuba.

Washington, April 27.—In the senate today, Mr. Stewart (Nev.) introduced a resolution providing that "the secretary of war be directed to furnish an estimate of the amount of an appropriation necessary to arm, equip, subsidize and furnish with munitions of war the Cuban army, and such additions as may be made thereto from the people of Cuba, until the Spanish army shall be expelled from the island of Cuba, or until the next session of congress." After a statement by Mr. Allison that the whole subject covered by the resolution was being considered by the proper committee, Mr. Stewart agreed that the resolution should go to the military affairs committee.

## Silver Senators Will Oppose War Revenue Bill.

While there is no doubt that the senators who advocate the free coinage of silver will oppose the bond feature of the war revenue bill, the prospect is that they will not seek to delay its passage on account of that provision. The bond provision will probably be stricken out in the committee on finance and restored in the senate.

## Confirmation of Mr. Moore's Appointment.

The senate has confirmed John B. Moore, of New York, as assistant secretary of state.

## Opening of War Revenue Debate.

The opening of the three days' debate on the war revenue measure attracted crowds to the house galleries today. Without any evidence of excitement or preliminaries of any kind the house went into a committee of the whole. Mr. Dingley, chairman of the ways and means committee, did not ask the first reading to be dispensed with.

The reading of the bill occupied an hour and ten minutes. Mr. Dingley then opened the debate. He pointed out the necessity not only of providing additional revenue, which would be raised by the bill, but authorizing the secretary of the treasury to borrow money on the credit of the government.

Mr. Bailey, the Democratic leader, while declaring his party would support the president in the vigorous prosecution of war, said it would oppose steps deemed unwise and unjust. He urged an income tax, a tax on bank deposits and the coinage of the silver seigniorage in place of a bond issue.

## Cuban Recognition Talk.

There is renewed talk of the recognition of the Cubans, or at least their belligerency, and confident hopes were expressed today in high Cuban circles that recognition will be granted within two weeks. One of the first effects, it is said, would be to give the Cubans an official status at Washington, instead of their present unofficial status.

## Washout on the Chama.

Special to the New Mexican. Espanola, April 26.—A washout on the Chama river, five miles above this place, has carried out a portion of the railroad bridge. The Denver & Rio Grande train will be about three hours late today.

## TUCKER HEARING CLOSED.

Evidence Submitted and Defendant Admitted to Bond Pending a Decision by Chief Justice Mills.

Yesterday afternoon was mostly consumed by the examination of the following witnesses for the prosecution in the Tucker case: Bruno Romero, Cosme Alarid, and Benigno Ortega. Their testimony agreed substantially and was not shaken by cross-examination, although strong attempts in that direction were made.

Bruno Romero testified that during the afternoon of January 9, 1894, he was on the south side in Luis Tafuya's grocery store in the house occupied by Antonio Ortiz y Salazar. He was then talking to Nicolas Gutierrez. He saw a black congo down the street going toward town, in this case were W. P. Cunningham, Page B. Otero, Thomas S. Tucker and Juan Pacheco.

These men got out of the back when they saw Frank Gonzales y Borrego in the door of the grocery store. They, that is the three of them, leveled their

guns at this man, ordered him to hold up his hands, arrested him and Juan Pacheco handcuffed him. Hipolito was standing on the porch of his house some little ways from where this occurred. Cunningham and Page Otero were in the streets, armed with double barreled shot-guns. Tucker was near the back and nearer to Vigil and was armed with a Winchester rifle. Vigil was standing straight near one of the posts supporting the portal and a telegraph or electric light pole. Tucker shouted at him, "Halt you ——" at the same time firing at him, also firing a second time. Vigil, who was evidently hit, then turned about and grabbed the post against which he was standing, with one hand and tried to pull his pistol; during this Tucker fired several times at Vigil and so did Cunningham and Otero. Witness was of the opinion there were ten or 11 shots fired by these men. Vigil did not shoot and had no pistol in his hands when first accosted and shot at. It was not until after Tucker's second shot, that Vigil attempted to draw his pistol. Cunningham and Otero were from 25 to 30 yards from Vigil, while shooting. Tucker was nearer to him. After the shooting ceased, Tucker threw Vigil's body from the porch into the street.

Cosme Alarid and Benigno Ortega, the former a printer by trade, the latter a laborer and about 62 years of age, were called and in almost every particular corroborated the evidence given heretofore by Anselmo Armljo and Bruno Romero.

The defense introduced as evidence the warrant for the arrest of Hipolito Vigil, and a transcript of the evidence in the Francisco Gonzales y Borrego et al. trial.

Page B. Otero, first witness for the defense, was called and examined by Judge Warren. A summary of his testimony is as follows:

At the time of the killing Otero and Tucker were regularly commissioned deputy sheriffs. Cunningham is in Old Mexico, Tucker has been in Las Cruces since the adjournment of the legislature, and Otero has been in Santa Fe ever since. On the afternoon of January 9, 1894, Cunningham notified Otero and Tucker that arrests were to be made; they went to the court house in a hack and got six warrants. Those in the hack were W. P. Cunningham, Page B. Otero, Thomas Tucker and Juan Pacheco. The warrants were for the arrest of Hipolito Vigil, Francisco Gonzales y Borrego, Lauriano Alarid, Francisco Alarid, Patricio Valencia and Antonio Borrego y Borrego. Cunningham gave orders, when they started out, that no shooting of any kind was to be done, unless unavoidable. They drove over to Antonio Ortiz y Salazar's corner to Luis Tafuya's grocery store. As they drove along slowly they noticed that Francisco Gonzales y Borrego was behind a door. When he got close to the hack guns were leveled at him and he was told to throw up his hands as the sheriff had a warrant for his arrest. Juan Pacheco got off the hack, disarmed and hand-cuffed him. While standing where Borrego was arrested some one said: "Here comes Vigil." Otero saw him as he came up the street. Tucker was on the sidewalk and they walked toward each other, when Tucker said, "I have a warrant for you, throw up your hands." As he said that, Vigil, who had on an overcoat, reached behind and grabbed his pistol, jumped behind a post and fired at the same time. Tucker fired and told Vigil to drop his pistol, which he did not do. Then the firing became general and during the firing, said Otero, "I remember very distinctly of hearing Cunningham and Otero ask him, between shots, to drop his pistol, which he refused to do." Vigil was standing against the post with his left arm around it trying to get his pistol out of his right hand. When he was shot he whirled and fell off the sidewalk to the street, with his arm under him and his pistol in his hand. We came down then and placed Borrego in the hack. As we passed along and got to where Vigil was I, myself, walked over, and I saw his pistol. It was sticking out under his arm, and one of the chambers was empty. Tucker was armed with a Winchester rifle, Otero and Cunningham were armed with shot-guns. The witness did not know how many shots were fired by Tucker; did not see Vigil while arresting Borrego.

This morning the judge, the attorneys, stenographer, interpreter, and witnesses were taken to the scene of the killing. The positions of the different persons present and the location of the hack

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were pointed out; the door from which Borrego came out, and the post that Vigil stood at when killed were carefully examined.

In the court room Page B. Otero was recalled by the defense for further examination. He stated that the reason Cunningham, Tucker, and himself were armed when they went to make the arrests, was that resistance was expected. They had been informed from reliable sources that the men for whom the warrants were issued were even then together arranging for that purpose; had held meetings before for that purpose; that Hipolito Vigil had said he would never be taken alive. Vigil had the reputation of being a desperate man.

Thomas H. Tucker, the defendant, was then placed on the stand by the defense, but his evidence did not differ from that of Page B. Otero.

This afternoon, after listening to arguments by counsel for both the prosecution and defense, Chief Justice Mills announced that he wished to take the case under consideration, and asked for a copy of the stenographer's report of the evidence. As it would require about a week for him to carefully examine the evidence and the authorities referred to, he admitted the defendant, Thomas H. Tucker, to bail in the sum of \$2,500, pending his decision. Bond was furnished this afternoon. Judge Mills stated that the question under consideration was whether he would dismiss Tucker or hold him to the action of the grand jury under bond.

## Code of Civil Procedure.

Every practicing attorney in the territory should have a copy of the New Mexico Code of Civil Procedure, bound in separate form with alternate blank pages for annotations. The New Mexican Printing company has such an edition on sale at the following prices: Leather binding, \$1.35; full law sheep, \$2; flexible morocco, \$2.50.

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